

**Camping**

- Camping along the Missouri River should be limited to developed recreation areas. These developed areas have been improved with a variety of camping amenities. The Missouri National Recreation River preservation is a major concern, and it is our responsibility to protect this ecosystem from human impacts. Human activity will affect the many threatened or endangered species that inhabit this area. Camp and enjoy our many developed campgrounds.
- Land ownership is also a concern. Private landowners in the State of South Dakota and/or State of Nebraska, may own shoreline, sandbars and islands. Plan ahead and be knowledgeable of land ownership.

**Shoreline Ownership**

- In Nebraska, only the water belongs to the state. The streambed (the land beneath the water) and all adjacent lands are property of the landowner through which the water flows. In South Dakota, most of the land adjacent to the river is private property. On other than public land, landowner permission is needed to be on the land.

**Litter**

- Please remove all trash and litter and deposit it into its proper receptacle. The National Park Service encourages that you "Leave No Trace" so others can enjoy the river experience as well. Litter is unsightly and damages the environment.

**Respect the Resource**

- The opportunity and freedom to travel the Missouri River is a privilege. Please make every effort to protect the wildlife and cultural resources along the river. Destroying the vegetation along the river is unsightly and diminishes wildlife habitat. Show respect for landowners along the river. If everyone practices these simple tips, the river environment will last indefinitely.

**Other Important Items**

- Remember to carry the safety items required by federal and state law, especially a life jacket.
- There are no fuel stations on this section of river. Plan ahead to avoid problems.
- Carry a cell phone or 2-way radio in case of an emergency, but expect dead spots.
- Have emergency phone numbers handy.
- If you bring a pet with you, keep it restrained.
- Stay clear of anglers along the shore.
- Keep noise to a minimum.
- Be prepared for sun exposure by wearing protective clothing or having appropriate sun block.
- Watch for biting insects and poisonous plants and snakes.
- Carry foul weather gear for unexpected storms.
- Before launching, check your boat for exotic species (i.e., zebra mussel, Eurasian watermilfoil). Signs at launch ramps provide further instructions.

**Area Boat Ramp Coordinates**

| <u>Boat Ramp Name</u> | <u>Latitude</u> | <u>Longitude</u> | <u>Nearest River Mile</u> | <u>Map Sheet Number</u> |
|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| Spillway              | 43° 03' 00" N   | 98° 32' 00" W    | 879.0                     | 1 of 16                 |
| Randall Creek         | 43° 03' 00" N   | 98° 33' 00" W    | 879.0                     | 1 of 16                 |
| Sunshine Bottom       | 42° 55' 19" N   | 98° 24' 28" W    | 866.0                     | 4 of 16                 |
| Verdel                | 42° 49' 51" N   | 98° 09' 08" W    | 852.0                     | 9 of 16                 |
| Niobrara              | 42° 45' 41" N   | 98° 01' 43" W    | 843.0                     | 12 of 16                |
| Ferry Landing         | 42° 45' 50" N   | 97° 59' 31" W    | 841.0                     | 12 of 16                |
| Running Water         | 42° 46' 14" N   | 97° 58' 44" W    | 840.0                     | 13 of 16                |
| Santee                | 42° 50' 35" N   | 97° 50' 16" W    | 829.0                     | 16 of 16                |